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SUBJ: FOREIGN BUYER PROGRAM

1. BERNARD B. MTAWALI, PERMANENT SECRETARY OF MALAWI'S MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (NUMBER TWO JOB), WILL VISIT WASHINGTON APRIL 28-MAY 3 FOR WORLD BANK TALKS. AMBAS-SADOR STEVENSON WOULD LIKE MTAWALI MAY 3-5 TO VISIT AMERICAN FIRM WHICH PRODUCES MACHINERY TO GRADE AND SHELL PEANUTS AND MTAWALI IS EAGER TO DO SO.
2. PEANUT SHELLING CURRENTLY PERFORMED BY HAND IN MALAWI, MAINLY BY WOMEN. OUTPUT IN 1977 WAS 20,390 SHORT TONS, DOWN FROM 1975 LEVEL OF 36,200 SHORT TONS. AS PEANUTS ARE CONFECTIONARY TYPE, GRADING AND SHELLING OPERATION MUST BE SUCH THAT WILL MINIMIZE DAMAGE TO NUTS.
3. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT SUITABLE MACHINERY IS MANU-FACTURED IN U.S. FROM 1977 THOMAS REGISTER THE TWO FOL-LOWING FIRMS APPEAR LIKELY TO OFFER NECESSARY MACHINERY AND ARE WITHIN A REASONABLE DISTANCE FROM WASHINGTON:

BICKLEY MFG CO
67 E. ROCKHILL RD
BALA CYNWYD, PA. 19004
215-664-5105
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SUFFOLK IREN WORKS
418 E. WASHINGTON
SUFFOLK VA 23434
804-539-2151

4. WOULD APPRECIATE IF THESE OR OTHER FIRMS ARE CON-

TACTED BY PHONE TO DETERMINE IF THEY COULD SUPPLY DESIRED
ITEMS AND APPOINTMENTS ARRANGED FOR
MTAWALI.

5. REGRET SHORT NOTICE BUT HOPE WE CAN RECEIVE REPLY
BEFORE MTAWALI'S APRIL 28 DEPARTURE FROM MALAWI.

PLEASE ALSO GIVE IN-
FORMATION TO D.Y. KALILANGWE, MALAWIAN EMBASSY, WASH-
INGTON (TEL 202-296-5530), WHO WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH
MTAWALI AND SHOULD HELP FACILITATE ARRANGEMENTS.
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